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SUBJECT: GOVERNOR SCRANTON'S VISIT TO JAPAN

1. INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND TREATIES BUREAU
DIRECTOR CHUNG U-YONG TOLD POLCONS AUGUST 31 THAT MOFA HAD
INFORMATION GOVERNOR SCRANTON WOULD BE VISITING JAPAN
SEPTEMBER 7 - 10. CHUNG SUGGESTED THAT THIS WOULD BE
EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR GOVERNOR SCRANTON TO DISCUSS
FORTHCOMING UNGA WITH TOP-LEVEL ROK OFFICIALS AND
REQUESTED EMBASSY TO URGE SIDE TRIP TO SEOUL. WE INFORMED
THAT FONMIN PAK TONG-CHIN WILL BE LEAVING FOR U.S. SEPT. 11
SO IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, ROKS WOULD LIKE GOVERNOR'S VISIT
TO TAKE PLACE PRIOR JAPAN VISIT.

2. RECOMMENDATION: IN VIEW MAJOR IMPORTANCE OF KOREAN
ITEM TO US, BELIEVE IT MOST IMPORTANT GOVERNOR
SCRANTON MAKE SEOUL STOP-OVER IF HE IS INDEED COMING
TO JAPAN. ASIDE FROM FACT ROKS WOULD TAKE IT AMISS
WERE HE NOT TO DO THIS, WE BELIEVE THERE WOULD BE
OBVIOUS ADVANTAGES TO DISCUSSIONS IN SEOUL.
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